

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1-71. (Canceled)

72. (Currently amended) A rotisserie oven for cooking food, comprising:  
an enclosure that includes walls;

a heating element inside the enclosure;

a plurality of plates, each having a center, wherein the plates in combination with at least one rod form a spit assembly and wherein the spit assembly does not include any structure extending from the center of one plate and connecting to the center of any other plate; and

an exhaust vent located in one of the walls of the enclosure, the exhaust vent having an indent extending into the enclosure with an opening at the top of the indent.

73. (Currently amended) The rotisserie oven as claimed in claim 72, wherein the exhaust vent is louvered.

74. (Currently amended) The rotisserie oven as claimed in claim 72, whereby heated air escapes the rotisserie oven by first moving up inside the enclosure past the exhaust vent and then moving down inside the enclosure.

75. (Currently amended) The rotisserie oven as claimed in claim 72, further comprising a plurality of exhaust vents, each of the plurality of exhaust vents having an indent extending into the enclosure with an opening at the top of the indent.

76. (Currently amended) The rotisserie oven as claimed in claim 75, whereby heated air escapes the rotisserie oven by first moving up inside the enclosure past the plurality of exhaust vents and then by moving downward inside the enclosure.

77. (Currently amended) The rotisserie oven as claimed in claim 72,

wherein the enclosure includes a roof, a wall and a curved section and the exhaust vent is located in the curved section.

78. (Currently amended) The rotisserie oven as claimed in claim 75, wherein the enclosure includes a roof, a wall and a curved section and the plurality of exhaust vents are located in the curved section.

79. (Original) The rotisserie oven as claimed in claim 72, wherein the heating element is maintained at a constant temperature during operation of the rotisserie oven.

80. (Original) The rotisserie oven as claimed in claim 75, wherein the heating element is maintained at a constant temperature during operation of the rotisserie oven.

81. (Original) The rotisserie oven as claimed in claim 77, wherein the heating element is maintained at a constant temperature during operation of the rotisserie oven.

82. (Original) The rotisserie oven as claimed in claim 78, wherein the heating element is maintained at a constant temperature during operation of the rotisserie oven.

83. to 87. (Canceled)

88. (Currently amended) A rotisserie oven for cooking food, comprising:  
an enclosure having a roof, a wall and a curved section extending from the wall to the roof;

a heating element inside the enclosure;

a plurality of plates, each having a center, wherein the plates in combination with at least one rod form a spit assembly and wherein the spit

assembly does not include a rod extending from the center of one plate and connecting to the center of any other plate;

an exhaust vent located in the curved section; and

wherein the exhaust vent has an indent extending into the enclosure with an opening at the top of the indent.

89. (Canceled)

90. (Currently amended) A rotisserie oven for cooking food, comprising:  
an enclosure having a roof, a wall and a curved section extending from the wall to the roof;

a heating element inside the enclosure;

a plurality of plates, each having a center, wherein the plates are in physical communication and form a spit assembly and wherein the spit assembly does not include any structure extending from the center of one plate and connecting to the center of any other plate;

a plurality of exhaust vents of located in the curved section; and

wherein the plurality of exhaust vents have an indent extending into the enclosure with an opening at the top of the indent.



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## Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

The amendment document filed on 11/12/04 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121, as amended on June 30, 2003 (see 68 Fed. Reg. 38611, Jun. 30, 2003). In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required. Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment document must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment document must be re-submitted. 37 CFR 1.121(h).

## THE FOLLOWING CHECKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:

## 1. Amendments to the specification:

- ☐ A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.  
☐ B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.  
☐ C. Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Abstract:

- ☐ A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72.  
☐ B. Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Amendments to the drawings: \_\_\_\_\_

## 4. Amendments to the claims:

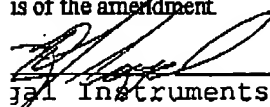
- ☒ A. A complete listing of all of the claims is not present.  
☐ B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all claims (including withdrawn claims)  
☐ C. Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified.  
☐ D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order.  
☐ E. Other: 1-76

For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP Sec. 714 and the USPTO website at <http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opls/preognotice/officeflyer.pdf>.

If the non-compliant amendment is a **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**, applicant is given **ONE MONTH** from the mail date of the letter to supply the corrected section which complies with 37 CFR 1.121. Failure to comply with 37 CFR 1.121 will result in the entry of the preliminary amendment and examination on the merits will commence without consideration of the proposed changes in the preliminary amendment(s). This notice is not an action under 35 U.S.C. 132, and this **ONE MONTH** time limit is not extendable.

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If the amendment is a reply to a **FINAL REJECTION**, this form may be an attachment to an Advisory Action. The period for response to a final rejection continues to run from the date set in the final rejection, and is not affected by the non-compliant amendment.

  
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